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### **Council President Peters Calls for Improved Document Retention Policies**

SAN DIEGO – Calling proper records-retention procedures vital to restoring public trust, Council President Scott Peters today called for an overhaul of the city’s system for archiving paper and electronic records.

“It is essential that the city create a coherent and enforceable document retention strategy that is consistent with best practices in government,” Peters said. “The city council and I will work closely with the mayor and his task force to develop those policies.”

Council policy and the municipal code require the city clerk to oversee the retention and disposal of records for the city, with department heads deciding which records require archiving and which can be disposed of.

Electronic records are maintained by the San Diego Data Processing Corporation, a non-profit corporation which provides IT support to the city of San Diego, in accordance with city policy.

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